(b) a list of examiners for the last 12 years and the number of times they were examiners?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(a) and (b). Lists containing the information are placed on the table. (*Appendix V*).

Admission—College.

267. Mr. T. K. Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement giving the following particulars in regard to chance cards sent:—

(2) names and addresses of parents or guardians ; and

(3) the aggregate number of marks obtained with special reference to the basis on which selections were made ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) and (3) A statement is appended. (*Appendix VI.*)

(2) Government have no information.

268. Mr. T. K. Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether the Principal has admitted his own son and if so in what group ;

(2) the number of marks obtained by him with special reference to the basis of admission ;

(3) whether he was covered by a chance or sure card ; if so, how ;

(4) (a) whether there were applicants with more marks ;

(b) if the answer is in the affirmative, whether chance cards were sent to all of them; if not, why not ?

(5) the number and names of the candidates with higher marks who had no chance of admission when the Principal's son was admitted ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—(1) Yes ; Group I.

(2) 178 marks.

(3) Not covered by either ; the latter part of the question does not arise.

(4) (a) Yes ;

(b) No ; as admissions could not be made beyond the limit fixed by the University, boys and girls had to be admitted in the proportion in which the applications received from each bore to the total number of applications by selecting those who had gained better marks from among them. The few who had more marks and to whom chance cards were sent did not also turn up for admission.

(5) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to sub-division (4).

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Mr. T. K. Nayar.—Was any candidate who had more marks and who was called by a chance card refused admission?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I cannot give a definite answer in the matter of that. It is very likely that a person who had a chance card and who turned up on the day was not given admission because there might have been on that day people with higher marks who might have gone away and never turned up again. That is just possible.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—Is it a fact that the candidates who appeared before the Principal and who had chance cards were told that there were no seats in the College?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—You see, Sir, the chance card is dependent upon a person with a sure card not coming up. If he turns up the result is that a person who holds a chance card has no seat and has to be told that he has no seat. That was what happened. I was also there on the day on which the admission was made.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—Is it not likely that the student, who had a chance card and who was told that there will be no seat after reserving seats for those candidates who were given sure cards, will not turn up again?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—There is a second chance. They might not have turned up again. There seems to be some misapprehension which I shall explain. There were many pupils who had more than 175 marks. At that time they were holders of chance cards. There were chance card holders who had about 200 marks and the obvious reply would be that as long as those pupils who had higher marks wanted to get admission the others had no chance. It is very likely that had they gone over here they might have got eventual admission. They were too late. Some of the sure card holders did not turn up. That is why one person in Group III was given seat in Group I.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—Why was this particular candidate not given a chance card?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I want notice.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know how many chance cards were sent?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I have answered that. About 50 or 55 chance cards were issued.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Where they issued in the order of marks?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—They were issued in the order of marks.

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Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—How many days before the date of admission were these cards issued ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—As soon as the sure cards were issued. The date of the first issue is given in the reply. I think it was answered yesterday.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—May I know whether all these chance cards and sure cards were sent on the same day ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—There is bound to be a lapse. It is only after the sure cards are sent that chance cards are issued. But I don't believe there is an interval between the two.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Whether there was sufficient time for the chance cards to reach the applicants ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—They had time to reach the applicants.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—How many days did you wait for the chance card holders to come after admission was given to the sure card holders? After admission was given to the sure card holders there were vacancies. How many days did you wait for the chance card holders to come and apply ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Sure card holders were given two days and after that chance cards were taken up.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—When were the chance card holders asked to appear before the Principal?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—On the same day as the sure card holders.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—Will it not be possible for the Principal to admit the chance card holders ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—They were asked to come in the forenoon on two days. The admission was started on the 17th and closed on the 27th. Those pupils were asked to come on the 17th and 18th forenoon. As vacancies arose the chance card holders were admitted on the score of their marks, some special concession being shown to the special communities.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Sir, is it a fact that some of those who had not chance cards and who were admitted are relations of the College Staff ?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—That is answered in one of the questions. One was the Principal's son.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—Is that the only case ? My information is that there are other cases also in which some of the relations of the Professors were preferred.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I am absolutely certain in this point, that not until these claims were satisfied and until all the sure card and chance card holders were either admitted or had permanently gone away, no one of these has been admitted even including the Principal's son.

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